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FOLLOWING REPEAT BIENNA 10019 ACTION SECSTATE 06 DEC 76

QUOTE

UNCLAS VIENNA 10019

EXCON FOR COMMERCE

EO 11652: NA

TAGS: ESTC, AU

SUBJECT: POSSIBLE DIVERSION OF US ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT TO SOVIET UNION.

1. POTTER INSTRUMENT COMPANY VIENNA (POTTER) HAS REPORTED TO EMBASSY POSSIBLE ATTEMPT AT DIVERSION OF 4 EA POTTER LINE PRINTERS, 1,100 LINES/MINUTE AND 4 EA POTTER MAGNETIC TAPE STATIONS AND 1 EA POTTER CONTROLLER SOLD TO VANGUARD INTERNATIONAL LTD OF SHANNON INDUSTRIAL ESTATE, SHANNON, IRELAND-SUBSIDIARY OF US FIRM OF SAME NAME AT NEWPORT BEACH, CALIF.

2. CHARLES MCVEY, OF VANGUARD TOLD POTTER THAT SHIPMENT DESTINED FOR SOVIET UNION: WHEREUPON POTTER ADVISED VANGUARD BY MAIL NOV. 26, 1976 THAT REEXPORT MUST BE SUBJECT TO UNCLASSIFIED

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LICENSE FROM OEA.

3. FOLLOWING SHIPMENT, FOR DISPOSITION OF VANGUARD/SHANNON, POTTER HAS RECEIVED COPIES OF SHIPPING DOCUMENTS AND NOTICE THAT DISPOSITION OF SHIPMENT NOW CHANGED TO READ "DISPOSITION LEP TRANSPORT", (UK TRANSPORT FIRM).

4. POTTER, FEARFUL OF POSSIBLE INVOLVEMENT IN DIVERSION CASE, HOLDING SHIPMENT IN LONDON, ON EMBASSY ADVICE, PENDING CLARIFICATION.

5. EMBASSY REQUESTS OEA ADVISE BY RETURN TELEGRAM  
A) AS TO WHETHER REEXPORT LICENSE HAS BEEN GRANTED  
AND B) WHETHER POTTER CAN RELEASE SHIPMENT TO CUSTOMER.  
EMBASSY GRATEFUL FOR EARLIEST ACTION THIS CASE TO  
RELIEVE POTTER OF STORAGE CHARGES IN LONDON. BUCHANAN.  
UNQUOTE ROBINSON.

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